

Nomenclatorial note on  
*Heteropsylla cubana* Crawford  
(Homoptera, Psylloidea),  
a new pest in Pacific countries

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*Heteropsylla cubana* Crawford (1914) was described from Cuba. It has been reported from the Bahamas, Nicaragua, Panama, Peru, Puerto Rico, El Salvador, Surinam, the USA and the Virgin Isles, and it is associated with the legume genera *Leucaena*, *Mimosa* and *Piptadenia* (BROWN 1985; BURCKHARDT 1987; HODKINSON & WHITE 1981). Recently it has been discovered in the Pacific region where it is rapidly spreading (D. Hollis, D. Waterhouse, pers. comm.).

While studying the temperate Neotropical psyllid fauna it became necessary to establish the identity of *Heteropsylla cubana* and some related species: *H. incisa* (Šulc, 1914) and *H. huasachae* Caldwell & Martorell. Examination of types showed that the type-series of *H. cubana* comprises in fact 2 species (*H. cubana* and *H. huasachae*) (R. G. Brown, pers. comm.). Furthermore, the holotype and the lectotype of *H. cubana* and *R. incisa* respectively are conspecific. CRAWFORD's name has priority as his paper was published on 3rd June 1914, whereas no exact date of publication can be established for ŠULC's paper and, according to the Code, it has to be dated as 31st December 1914. The following new synonymy is, therefore, proposed:

*Heteropsylla cubana* Crawford, 1914: 46. Holotype ♂, Cuba: Havana, *Leucaena glauca* (C. F. Baker) (United States National Museum, Washington D. C.).

= *Rhinocola incisa* Šulc, 1914: 4. Lectotype ♂, Surinam: Paramaribo, 1907, Collectio K. Šulc, Invent. c. 2941 (Moravian Museum, Brno) here designated (examined). **Syn. nov.**

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